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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007–08 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2656

Introduced by Assembly Member Brownley

February 22, 2008

An act to add Section 48900.9 to the Education Code, relating to pupils.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2656, as amended, Brownley. Pupil Suspension.

(1) Existing law allows a pupil who is suspended from a school for specified reasons to be assigned to a supervised suspension classroom for the entire period of suspension if the pupil poses no imminent danger or threat to the campus, pupils, or staff, or if an action to expel the pupil has not been initiated. School districts may continue to claim apportionments for each a pupil assigned to and attending a supervised suspension classroom if the supervised suspension classroom promotes completion of schoolwork and tests missed by the pupil during the suspension and the pupil is responsible for contacting his or her teacher or teachers to receive assignments to be completed while the pupil is assigned to the supervised suspension classroom.

This bill would require a pupil suspended from a school for specified reasons to complete all in-class assignments, tests, and homework he or she *will miss or has* missed during the period of suspension. School administrators, *teachers*, or counselors would be required to ensure that the pupil is given all in-class assignments and homework that he or she *will miss or has* missed during the period of suspension and the

opportunity to take ~~any~~ *all* tests that will affect his or her grade for that period.

Because this bill would require school officials to perform additional duties, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 48900.9 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:

3 48900.9. (a) A pupil suspended from a school for any of the
4 reasons listed in Section 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, or
5 48900.7 shall complete all in-class assignments, tests, and
6 homework he or she *will miss or has* missed during the period of
7 suspension.

8 (b) School administrators, *teachers*, or counselors shall ensure
9 that the pupil is given all in-class assignments and homework that
10 he or she *will miss or has* missed during the period of suspension
11 and the opportunity to take ~~any~~ *all* tests that will affect his or her
12 grade for that period.

13 (c) Oral instructions with regard to the in-class assignments,
14 tests, and homework that the pupil missed during the period of
15 suspension shall be clearly communicated by ~~each~~ *the* classroom
16 teacher to the pupil and to his or her parent or guardian.

17 SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that
18 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to
19 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
20 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
21 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.